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# The Times' Daily Short Story.

# Promise Redeemed

the civil war I had been con- down the river bank, found a boat and floated on the bosom of the historic a prisoner in Libby prison, and rs after being discharged from James, How I reached Old Point Com-Red States service I was sud fort and our ships would make a story ared with a desire to go south of itself, e a look at it. As I was startuncle of mine insisted on giva letter to an old friend of his, Porcher, a Richmond merchant. on as I arrived in the former rate capital I went down to bost had a pretty daughter ten years er bank and, standing before my junior, between whom and me ly prison, looked up at it with there sprang a case of love at first ular feelings. There on the sight. L stayed in Richmond a long Chicago Expects Coal Famine as Roads passed in broad daylight at the there, all the while attempting to of risk of my life and began a smooth away Mr. Porcher's prejudice y of intolerable suffering down y on the scene of my adventure I I seargely realized that I was liked. Not a uniform was to be ering brow, then said: business had taken the place of

is how I came to make an atat escape: One of the prisoners ecured a loaded revolver, how I knew except that it was purfrom one of the guards when he prison when one day the impudent boy asleep or drunk of who had left it walked out of the door and ran away. self where it could be pounced I followed him. He not only gave me It was a dangerous article for a wound in the shoulder from which I soner to have, and it was passed bave suffered ever since, but I was one to another till it came to me. as desperate, and, hiding it under shirt, buttoned my ragged coat more excited as he proceeded, when nd it, hoping that I might find a his daughter came in anxiously and ce to use it in some desperate stopped him. He ended by making it e for freedom,

was confined on the ground floor. that I would promise to scour the times the door would be left open, north for that "dirty little mudsili" lard pacing back and forth on the and give him a chance to shoot him. ement before it. At times I would be bold to go to the door and look usually to be ordered back. There had been something familiar accretive of soft coal in this city today. usually to be ordered back. There about Mr. Porcher's face and figure, one of the sentries whom I espe- and I could not get over the idea that y noticed. He was what I then I had seen his somewhere. As for me, ed an old man of about forty-five I had grown whishers and weighed was doubtless a citizen relieving lifty pounds more than when I was a lar troops at guarding prisoners, prisoner, I was too much disconcertday at noon I went to the door Ed to reply at once, but finally pulling stood looking out. Everybody was myself together said: dinner, and I could see no soldier cept the oldish sentinel, who I not ly that within six months after my ed was thinking about something marriage with your daughter I will aldes his gunrd duty. It was a crazy produce the 'dirty little Yankee' you refer to. I have heard of this case and for to do, but my life as a prisoner no a burden to me, I watched the am sure I can oblige you." ntipel till be turned to walk with his ch to me, then like a finsh slipped by and declared I was just the son-init the door and ran like a deer to the law he wanted. ener where a street sloped down to te river. As I turned a ball came promise I redeemed it by taking mybizzing past me, and I knew I had self to my father-in-law, with whom en disperered. The sentinel chused I had become a great favorite, and give, and although I was much younger ing him permission to shoot me. He inn he. I was weakened by confine. was too much astonished to avail filment. He caught up with me had as self of the privilege.

> they have not received the ratifications of their action from their home Governand the police matter will be closed today, It is said here that there is no

# TAFT WOULD HAMPER CUPID.

Would Prohibit Marriage of Officers Below Captain's Rank.

There are 674 boys and 660 Laft, before the Senate military affairs At the last measure there were committee, resterday atrongly advocated bases and sees any other a fraction that a dame in the army appropriation bill bases and sees any other a fraction builting the marriage of officers be over half this number of children low the rank of captain, and referred to the numerous defalcations and financial difficulties of young officers leading to trial by court martial and disgrace. Patter Questian Regarded an Settled at plan tend to take suicide? asked Sen-

ator Blackbarn, Algorithm Secretary Faft admitted that it might that it was with great re-

# CAN'T AVOID

Soft Coal Miners and Operators Meet in Final Effort

PLAN FOR ARBITRATION New Succession Law Being Prepared,

Some Talk of a Proposition Being Made, But There Is Little Likelihood of It Being Ac-

cepted.

conference of the bituminous operators and universe of the central competitive lous" (small brained). and miners of the central competitive district met in what was generally un-derstood to be a final effort to reach an agreement on the wage scale in Hinois. Indiana, Ohio and western Pennsylvania.

An Ohio delegate spoke briefly in reto a statement made Tuesday by H. L. Chapman of Ohio regarding local conditions in Jackson county, Ohio, A. J. Mooreshead of the Illinois operators spoke first for the operators. He said the operators would be pleased to pay the miners an increase in wages, but

"No operator will go further thus I will to meet our employees," continued Mr. Mooreshead. "It may be true that CURE FOR RHEUMATISM in some part of the country, western, Pennsylvania, for instance, they may be able to pay an advance, but I know that Ex Army Officer Lectures Before Lonin Illinois it is impossible. He said miners in the thick vein in

Illinois could earn from \$8 to \$10 per This statement was received by the miners with laughter, which brought rebuke from the chair.

I was getting behind a pile of lumber. I turned and shot him with my revolvthe operators. The report is around er. Darting on I saw a cellar win- that the convention will soon adjourn, dow open and crawled in. Searchers and will report no agreement possible The next step will be, it is expected, passed my hiding place a dozen times without thinking to enter, and when it for the miners to call a convention and declare a strike. was dark I crawled out, dodged along

Irwin, Pa., March 20,- According to the statement of the officials of the Penu Gas Coal company, the strike inaugurated at their Penn station works three weeks ago because of the disharge of a number of roiners said to be union men has failed, and all the coal After inspecting Libby 1 presented required is now being produced. The my letter of introduction to Mr. operators think that if a strike is called Porcher. Now, there would be nothin the Irwin field the miners will coning in this story except the bairtimue to work, which means an output brendth escape, of which there were of nearly 2,000,000 tons of coal thousands in that war, had not my month.

# RAID UPON FUEL.

while protonding to have business Confiscate It.

Chicago, March 29 .- The Record Heragainst me as having been a Union ald says: ames river. As I stood in 1874 seidler. When at last I thought I had Chicago has practically been cut off. For him in a more mollified condition I two weeks the conficurrying rainounds passengers are being landed. ventured to ask him for his daughter's have been taking 25 per cent of the production of others.

Actual confiscation of coal by the

whom I wish to kill-a miserable dirty During the remainder of this week little Yankee who was a prisoner in not a pound of fuel from Obio, West Libby in 1804. I was a member of Virgina or Pennsylvania will reach Chiragu, according to dealers, who asserted Tuesday that it would all be taken by Chinese Collecting Arms and Munitions the home guard and a centinel at the

roads running to the mines.

The price is heating upward and the have been selling all the soft coal ob-tainable on cars at \$2.50 a tan. Two months ago, in the middle of the winter, it went begging at \$2 a ton.

Oeived from China by the Empress of Japan say revolutionists are planning an anti-dynastic coup at Pekin.

A despatch to the Tokic Hochi says limit has not been reached. Jobbers it went begging at \$2 a ton. He was going on, getting more and

dealers yesterday increased the price of soft coal fifty cents on the ton. The increased retail price is \$4.75 a ton. The wholesale price was increased from

We are very short and our coal is going fast. People seem to be afraid of the threatened strike, Another prominent dealer, who is con-

# FACTS IN NATURE.

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For people who are run-down and nervous, who suffer from indigestion or dyepepsts, headache, biliousness, or torpid liver, coated tongue with blitter taste in the morning and poor appetite, it becomes necessary to turn to some tonic or strengthener which will assist Nature and help them to get on their feet and put the body into its proper condition. It is becoming more and more apparent that Nature's most valuable health-giving agests are to be found in forest plants and roots.

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sidered an authority on the coat sub-

"There is at present plenty of soft coal in the city, but no one know long it will last. We are overwheimed with orders just at present, and our supply is going fast. There is undoubtedly a serious scarcity outside of Boston in the wholesale field. Probably the price will continue to jump rapidly from now on. There will undoubt-edly be a coal strike, and that before

CZAREWITCH REPORTED UNFIT TO RULE RUSSIA

It Is Said, as the Direct Heir Is "Deaf and Dumb."

New York, March 29, A copyright cable from Vienna to the World says: A private telegram from St. Peters-burg says that the Slove (newspaper) asserts that a new succession law is being prepared, which is believed to be connected with persistently circulated reports concerning the Czarewitch's weak

Indianapolis, March 29.—There is a general feeling here that a soft coal strike conference of the binder of the bi

### TRIO TO RESIGN.

Witte, Durnovo and Shipoff to Leave Czar's Cabinet.

St. Petersburg, March 29. Rumors of ding cabinet charges continue to circulate. yand doubt the state of Premier Witte's health will torce him to retire and also predicts the resignation of Interior Minit was a business impossibility at this ister Durnece and Finance Minister

DISCOVERED BY ITALIAN

## don Society on His New "Arthralgonicon."

New York, March 29,-A special cable ocrats, from London to the Sun says:

A prominent man among the miners declared during the day that the only the Italian army medical corps, lectured Sturgis Liquor Officers Have to Draw hope for peace now lies in a surrender Tuesday night before the London Therarendering it solumble, and thereby enabling it to be more easily eliminated.

aground, arrived here yesterday. The supply of commercial coal for is leaking bailly and must discharge ber cargo and go into dock for repairs. Her

The identity of the Italia is in doubt. man, permitted to come and go hand. He heard me through with low- output of many mines and the entire There are two steamers of that mane trading between Italian ports and New "I will give my consent on one con-dition. There is a man probably living roads within three days is predicted by both lines have not yet received any

# ANTI-DYNASTIC MOVE.

in Mongolia.

Victoria, B. C. March 29,- Advices rerevolutionaries are congregating cara-Coal Jumps in Boston.

Coal Jumps in Boston.

From Belgians at Tientsin, which have been conveyed to Mongoliu.

A Skin of Beauty is a Joy Forever.

From Belgians at Tientsin, which have been conveyed to Mongoliu.

Cream as Marient Beauty for a conveyed to Mongoliu.

# WOMAN A TAX COLLECTOR.

Miss Johnson First to Hold Such a Position in New Hampshire.

Laconia, N. H., March 29.-For the first time in the history of this state, a woman has been elected as tax collector for a city. The innovation was made Tuesday, when the city council, is choosing the city officers for the coming year, named Miss Martha E. John-

# Handing up Money

to a doctor for pulling you through a heavy cough or cold can be avoided if you use Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar early in the attack. It's pleasant to take, harmless and effectual. Sold by druggists.

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MANY PEASANTS ELECTED

tions-Significant Proportions.

St. Petersburg, March 28,-The province of Kostroma, European Russia, is the first to have completed its elections to the provincial congress. Forty-six pensants, 19 noblemen, 18 merchants, six professional men and three priests were returned. The preponderance of peas-ants is significant, considering that they were entitled to elect only 29 delegates. 28 and the workmen seven delegates. The results show that the "small landowners," who in reality are only peas ants of the more prosperous class, holding their property in severalty, stood together against the big land lords and but one plans in their platform, namely the distribution of land. The others are divided, 34 per cent being conservatices and 18 per cent constitutional dem-

## FIGHT DEPUTIES.

Their Revolvers.

neuralgia, rheumatism and all gouty at ling against the enforcement of the Stur. Smith placed the rocking chair before the exhuming of the body, and after fections. He began his experiments in his bill for the stricter interpretation of the wall section as he recalled its posi- that, with the nid of a microscope, I the prohibition law, a feeling which has tion, and then told of his examination was unable to find that the hair hard been growing gradually throughout the of young Northey. He said he van a been growing gradually throughout the of young Northey. He said he van a been growing gradually throughout the of young Northey. He said he van a been growing gradually throughout the of young Northey. The said he van a been growing gradually throughout the of young Northey. The said he van a been growing gradually throughout the of young Northey. The said he van a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. The said he was a been growing gradually throughout the problems of young Northey. ing amylic and benzoic elements. Five ions sorts of outbreaks almost nightly, one and one-half or one, and three the autopsy. I saw no burnt flesh." or six injections in the muscles will reached a climax here Tuesday night, fourths inches to get the course of the subdue a recurrence of the disease. The when a mot of 500 men, women and builtet, and then located the bullet on remedy does not cause irritation or other children pursued Liquor Deputies Towns the other side of the head. harm. Dr. Ballabone calls his discovery and Stackpole through the "principal or arthralgonicon. It operates by combining with the uric acid in the blood, revolvers in self defense.

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The deputies had just reached a kitch- saw Mrs. Cooper. blood.

STEAMER ITALIA FLOATED.

Steamer Italia Vessel Reaches Palermo in a Badly Leaking Condition.

Palermo, Sicily, March 29. The Italian steamer Italia, which recently ran aground, arrived here yesterday. She en barroom in the slums of the city,

# DRIVEN OUT OF HOMES.

Many Persons Forced to Fice on Account of Floods.

Waterloo, Iowa, March 29.- The water in the Cedar river rose over 11 feet. Tuesday night and early yesterday it broke the west levee and flooded the business district of Waterloo, Hundreds of families were made homeless. Rock Island tracks were washed out for half mile and all railroads are tied up. Cedar Falls reports a similar disaster and 200 families there were rendered

homeless. Bridges and dams were also

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Over Young Northey's Prostrate Body

DOCTOR'S DRAMATIC STORY

Of Conversation With Woman Accused of Killing Young Northey as the Latter Lay Gasping Out His Life.

Augusta, Me., March 28 .- "I shall never tell anything/

This is the reply that Mrs. Alice F. Cooper, on trial for the murder of Charles D. Northey, Jr., made to Dr. Au-drew R. G. Smith, he testified yesterday, when he asked her about the shooting of the young man. Dr. Smith was a little while. the first physician to reach the side of

This testimony coming so soon after for a moment and then got up. I ask-the reconstructed head of the dead boy ed her: was shown in court, tried the phenomenal nerves of the little woman accused self? while the land owners had 35, the cities of the crime almost to the snapping point. She did not break down, howin his hand this way (after illustrating)

It was brought out in the examination and shoot himself; of Dr. A. R. G. Smith yesterday that he and the other doctors have changed their replied."

De Smith told of his return to the chose exclusively pensants. The pensants they's head being singed, Dr. Smith house and said that he was with Norminds about some of the hairs on Nocthe autopsy, but had changed his mind. was 7.33 o'clock. He described the au-The defence count it a point in their topsy the next day in practically the favor that the dectors have had two same way as did Dr. Sinstevant. opinions on this point. If the hair said he measured the wound. The hole were singed it would indicate the revolutions the bullet entered was its of an ver was held close to Northey's head and inch in diameter and the hole on the favor the suicide theory.

Dr. Smith said he arrived at the un inch. Or. Smith said he arrived and 5.45 Dr. Smith, in repsy to a question of Cooper house between 3.30 and 5.45 direct examination, said; o'clock in the afternoon of the tragedy. "At the time of the autopsy I thought and went through the kitchen and into At the time of and went through the kitchen and into Waterville, Me., March 29,-The feel, the dining room where the body lay, Dr.

"She was walking up and down the

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stand your question. He can live but

"She began pacing the room again and suddenly fell to the floor. She lay

Did Charley Northey shoot him-

"What? she responded. "Did Charley Northey take a pistol

"I shall never tell anything,' she

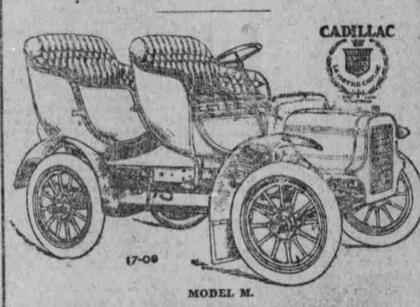
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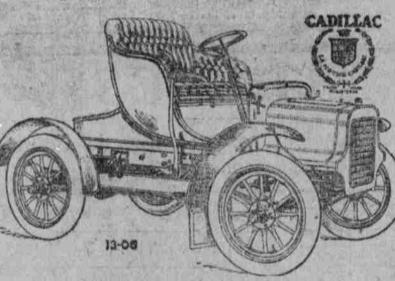
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ST. ALBANS SCHOOL CENSUS. mly a Fraction Over a Half the 1,359 ments. This is expected to come soon, Children of Legal Age Are Pupils.

St. Albans, March 29. M. B. Hop possibility of a bitch in the proceedings, me, city clerk, has completed a census the children of school age in this city. d the following feets appear: Number children in city between five and eight and, 414; number between eight and nen yenra, 715; mumber between bia and eighteen years, most a total wend the public schools,

# DELEGATES AGREE

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B. WINTEROP JONES.

Washington, March 29,-Secretary

State Department from Arabas Instance that he was freed to advergate while says that the French and the class in the cities. He said he build delegates at the conference at not samulon Senata Scatt's plan at in-

# The old man grasped my hand warm-Exactly six months after making the

Nearly forty years ago, Dr. R.V. Pierce